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Also enclosed is a copy of U.S. Patent No. 6,257,861, which corresponds to JP 11-308961 and EP 0 128,015, which corresponds to 60-52769.

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